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THE RATE WAR.

ASTORIA, Nov. 1, 1898.—Editor Astorian: Will you kindly tell me and others, through your paper, who is to blame for the rate war, the O. R. & N. or the A. & C. R.?

A close study of the situation will convince any one that there is no rate war in operation. Everything mundane must have a beginning, and since both the two companies, which alone could start such a contest, deny that they commenced cutting rates, it is evident that the war did not really begin and cannot now be on.

FOR THE FUND.

A Refined and Pleasing Entertainment for the Benefit of the Memorial.

Edward Shields, the well-known illustrator, was in the city yesterday and made arrangements to bring his company to the Fisher opera house next Wednesday evening and play a benefit to the Edward C. Young memorial library fund. Mr. Shields' company is well and favorably known in Astoria, having played here under the auspices of the regatta last August. The company has been augmented with several new members and a number of new features since their last visit. Mr. Shields' illustrated talk on the Philippines is now complete from Dewey's victory to the return of the Oregon volunteers to Portland, including a number of actual battle scenes taken at Malabon and other decisive points.

Miss Helen Lamar still lends strength to the organization with her illustrated recitals, and Chas. H. Whiting, the eminent baritone, has a full selection of new illustrated songs. A novel feature will be a number of animated pictures, reproducing battle scenes in the Philippines, return of the Oregon volunteers, showing the boys marching up Market street, San Francisco, and several taken aboard the Olympia and in New York of the great Dewey parade and reception. A new

addition to the company is Miss Kate Sprague, a charming vocalist and harpist, who came direct from Boston to join the Shields company. The entire profits of this entertainment goes to the memorial fund.

REPORTED LOST.

English Troop Ship for South Africa is Said to Have Been Wrecked.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—A special dispatch to the Chicago Chronicle from London, says:

It is reported in London this (Wednesday) morning that one of the British troopships sailing for the Cape last week has been lost at sea. No details of the reported disaster are given, and the rumor has not been traced to any authoritative source.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—In connection with the rumored loss of a British troopship, the names of the Peninsular and the Oriental steamer Nubia have been mentioned. The company, however, has no knowledge of any disaster. The rumor seems to have originated in Berlin on Monday.

THE ISLANDS ALL OURS.

Spain Claims a Portion of the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The positive statement is made here by authority that Spain does not retain the possession of a single island in the Philippine archipelago. This is called forth by a declaration in the Spanish cortes yesterday by Count d'Almenas that through ignorance the American commissioners had allowed the islands at the northern extremity of the archipel-

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HOBART BETTER.

The Vice-President Able to Read the Papers.

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 1.—Vice-President Hobart took some nourishment tonight. Mrs. Hobart says he looks better and stronger than he has appeared in two or three weeks.

He had the newspapers read to him tonight and took quite an interest in current affairs. He talked for a time tonight about his private business affairs.

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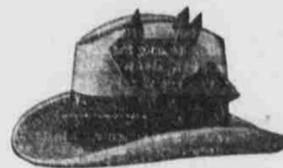


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Then we have some fancy worsted suits also with round or square corners, for \$9.75. These are made as well as our factory knows how to make clothes, and if you can't get fitted in these, no ready-made clothing will fit you. Ask for lot 6695.

Here is a particularly attractive line, the material is elegant and the workmanship superior in every way. They are cheviot suits of winter weight and we ask only \$8.50. Ask for lot 903.

The foregoing is not the only line of cheviots we carry. Ask for lot 719 and see what they are. You will be pleased with them as they are nice enough for anybody to wear. We have marked the price on these \$10.50 just for a surprise.

Young Men's Clothing

We are selling twice as much young men's clothing this year as we did a year ago. This must mean that what we sold last year suited a lot of young men, and they have been telling their friends about it. Yes, and it means that our stock this year is just new and nobby enough to catch them anyway.

Ask to See Some of These

Single-breasted sack suits, brown mixed cheviot, strong or faint plaid as you choose.

Double-breasted sack suit, brown heringbone cheviot.

Single-breasted sack suit, fashionable collar, double-breasted vest. Gray and red mixed, making a broken plaid.

Single-breasted sack suit, with double-breasted vest of gray Scotch plaid cheviot.

Single-breasted sack suit, with double-breasted vest; gray cheviot with overplaid of green.

Single-breasted sack suit, fine check worsted.

Some of these are pretty gay, some are quiet—just like young men.

Boys' Clothing

Somebody's small boy is going to be mightily satisfied with himself when his mamma gets him one of those new cape coats that have just come. We don't make any money to speak of on these, but we have to do something to stop some people from buying cotton. Now, whether he is three or fourteen years of age, he shall have one for \$2.35. Don't believe it? Well come in and see, and ask for lot 3932.

Just another word about the boys. Do you want your little fellow to look real swell? If so, we have a line of boys' blue serge double-breasted suits, ages from 7 to 14, that are positively beautiful. These suits, including an extra pair of pants, we are going to sell this week for \$6.00. We won't tell you how we can afford it for the story would be too long for our space. Ask particularly for lot 17483.

If the above price is too high, ask for lot 17482. These are suits of a gray mixture, including an extra pair of pants, for \$3.75. They are dressy and are sure to delight the proud little wearer. Don't fail to examine them.

Overcoats

Our assortment is a surprise. Portlanders would come down to price and purchase these.

LOT 7340.—Men's covert cloth overcoats \$9.50. Stylish and astonishingly low price.

LOT 8010.—Men's blue beaver overcoats, \$9.00. If you say you can duplicate these for the money anywhere else, it would be a statement hard to believe.



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